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SUBJECT: SECRETARY/FAHMY DISCUSSION ON AFRICA

1. DURING MEETING OCTOBER 6 WITH EGYPTIAN FORIGN
MINISTER FAHMY, DEVOTED PRIMARILY TO MIDDLE EAST QUESTIONS,
THE SECRETARY ASKED HOW FAHMY FELT ABOUT THE SITUATION IN
THE OGADEN. FAHMY SAID HE WAS WORRIED THAT THE ETHIOPIANS
WOULD WIN IF PROBLEM WERE NOT QUICKLY INTERNATIONALIZED
AND ASKED WHAT THE SECRETARY THOUGHT ABOUT HAVING IT RAISED
IN THE UN. THE SECRETARY COUNTERED WITH THE SUGGESTION OF
RAISING IT IN THE OAU. FAHMY REPLIED THAT THIS WOULD NOT
WORK AND ASKED WHETHER THE U.S. WOULD TAKE THE INITIATIVE
IN THE UN, NOTING THAT SOVIETS HAD TOLD HIM THEY MIGHT DO
SO THEMSELVES. THE SECRETARY SAID IT SHOULD BE RAISED BY
AN AFRICAN STATE. FAHMY SAID "OR AN INDEPENDENT STATE."
IN FAHMY'S VIEW, IF THE MATTER IS NOT TAKEN TO THE UN, AND
IF BOTH A CEASEFIRE AND SOMALI WITHDRAWAL ARE NOT ACHIEVED,

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THERE WILL BE AN EVEN MORE SERIOUS PROBLEM. THE
SECRETARY COMMENTED THAT IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO
GET SOMALI WITHDRAWAL; THERE SHOULD BE AN EFFORT
TO GET A CEASEFIRE IN PLACE. FAHMY CONCLUDED BY
STRESSING THE IMPORTANCE OF EARLY ACTION AND THE
SECRETARY AGREED.

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